"Tag & Tax Together" Dealer Information

(This page will be updated as new questions and answers are available)

Effective July 1, 2013, when a vehicle is sold, titled and registered, the vehicle property tax is due along with the other fees required to title the vehicle. The owner will have the option of paying the property tax or obtaining a limited registration plate and deferring payment of property taxes for 60 days.

Are property taxes due on a newly purchased vehicle when it is titled? Yes, beginning July 1, 2013, the vehicle owner will pay the vehicle property taxes at the time the title work is done. However, if the owner chooses not to pay the taxes at that time, the owner can receive a Limited Registration Plate along with a tax notice stating the amount of the vehicle property taxes due. The owner will receive a limited registration plate, issued by the license plate agency that will expire after 60 days.

How will I know how much property tax to charge? A website will be posted to help the dealer calculate the property tax. The tax calculator website will be announced when it is available. Dealers can also call (919) 814-1779 for assistance.

If a plate is to be transferred from another vehicle, will property taxes be due? No, the taxes will be due on the next renewal date for that plate.

Can a dealer charge an extra fee to collect the tax? No, but dealers can still continue to charge administrative or doc fees, which must be disclosed under regulations already in place.

Will dealers issue the 60-day limited registration plate? No, it will be issued by the license plate agency when the title work is done and the metal plate is issued. If the dealer is an on-line dealer performing its own title work, the dealer will be able to issue the 60-day plate.

Where will the owner pay the tax (after the sale) if they received a limited registration plate? The owner should pay the license plate agency, or pay DMV on-line or by mail. Once the tax is paid, a year sticker will be issued to replace the 60-day sticker on the plate already issued.

Who should I contact if I have questions? If you have DMV-related questions about the Tag & Tax Together program, please call (919) 814-1779.